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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—"பெரிய பவர் லூம்ஸ் மிஷின்கள் அதிகப்படக்கூடாதென்பது தான் மத்திய அரசாங்கத்தின் கொள்கை. இந்த அரசாங்கத்தின் நோக்கமும் அது தான். பக்கிங்ஹாம்-கர்னுடிக் மில்லில் விசைத்தறிகளை அதிகப்படுத்த அரசாங்கம் ஏன் அனுமதி கொடுத்தது என்பதற்குப் பதிலளிக்க வேறு ஒரு கேள்வி போடவும்."

Temporary staff in the Revenue Department.

* 1598 *Q.*—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government have issued any orders that the persons working as Revenue Inspectors and clerks under 10 (*a*) (1) of the general rules in the various departments need not sit for the Madras Public Service Commission Examination to qualify themselves for regularizing their service, if they are 35 years of age and above? 9–20 a.m.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" No such orders were issued by the Government."

SRI M. DHARMALINGAM :—" Considering the difficulties of the Revenue Inspectors and clerks working in the various departments, especially in Tirumalai-Tirupati Devasthanam which has been taken over by Government, is it just to ask them after 10 years of service and at 35 years and more age to appear for the Public Service Commission examination in order to qualify themselves for regularizing their services? Will it not be proper on the part of the Government to extend their sympathy towards these people and exempt them from appearing for the Public Service Commission examination so that their service may be regularized and increments may be drawn by them?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Sir, even now such exemptions are allowed for short periods. Exemptions for a period of more than one year are also being allowed in consultation with the Public Service Commission."

Collection of donation by non-gazetted officers.

* 1599 *Q.*—SRI G. GOVINDAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have allowed the non-gazetted officers of the Madras State to collect donation for their Association?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, the answer is in the negative."

Allotment of radium to the Government Hospital, Madurai.

* 1600 *Q.*—SRI S. P. THANGAVELU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government allotted 250 milligrams of radium to the Government Hospital at Madurai when Dr. T. S. S. Rajan was Public Health Minister; and

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(*b*) why this allotment was not utilized in that hospital, but was transferred to the Government Hospital at Mangalore?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The Government ordered in 1951, while the late Dr. T. S. S. Rajan was the Minister for Health, that 1,000 milligrams of radium bromide, which had been kept at Vellore, be converted into radium needles. The Director of Medical Services then suggested that 250 milligrams of radium needles out of 1,000 milligrams of radium to be made from the radium bromide. might be earmarked for use at the Erskine Hospital, Madurai. This suggestion was accepted by Government. It was, however, ordered that the quantity of radium earmarked for the Madurai hospital should be retained at the Barnard Institute of Radiology till a Cancer Unit was organized at Madurai. Since a Cancer Unit has not so far been opened at Madurai the radium is kept at the Barnard Institute of Radiology as already ordered."

SRI S. THINAKARASAMI THEVAR :—" As Madurai City with a huge population is the most prominent and ancient city of South India, it deserves greater consideration in the matter of supply of radium needles than Mangalore City. So, will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to supply these radium needies to Madurai in preference to Mangalore? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, no radium needles have so far been sent to Mangalore. Madurai, has a teaching hospital and a Cancer Unit will be shortly opened there. The difficulty is want of properly trained staff for this work. At Madurai a radio-therapist has been appointed from October 1954 and a physicist is to be posted there. In the budget memorandum, the hon. Member will find that provision has been made for the purchase of a deep X-ray unit for Madurai. A Cancer Unit will be started there shortly."

Travelling allowance to Gramasevaks.

* 1601 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any discrimination in the scale of travelling allowance granted to the Gramasevaks having jurisdiction over a whole taluk, recruited from among the Revenue Inspectors and Agricultural Assistants ; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) There is no Gramasevak who has jurisdiction over a whole taluk.

" (*b*) Does not arise."